

U.S. Congressman Mike Pence issued the following statement today in support of House Republican Leader John Boehner's [letter](#) to House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, demanding an open debate on taxes:

“No American taxpayer should face a tax increase on January 1, and this issue deserves a full and transparent debate on the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives. I stand with Leader Boehner and my Republican colleagues in urging Speaker Pelosi to allow the American people to express their will through their elected representatives on a matter that will affect every American taxpayer.

“Raising taxes on job creators will not create jobs, especially during the worst economy in decades. The American people want Congress to act quickly to prevent the coming tax hikes. With our nation’s unemployment rate near 10 percent, it’s vital that the White House and House Democrats not play political games with the economy. I hope Democrat leaders in Congress will respond to the need to come together in a bipartisan way to stop the president’s planned tax increases.”